UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)
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V.) Criminal No. 04-10185-GAO
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PATRICK DEAL)
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JOINT MOTION TO CONTINUE STATUS CONFERENCE AND EXCLUDE TIME

The parties respectfully request a continuance of the Status Conference currently scheduled for December 9, 2004. As grounds for this motion, the parties state that they are actively negotiating a resolution to this matter and it is expected that a continuance will provide the parties an opportunity to resolve this case short of trial. The parties request that the matter be rescheduled to a date after January 10, 2005.

In addition, for the above-stated reasons, the parties respectfully request that the time from December 9, 2004, to the date set for the Status Conference be excluded pursuant to 18 U.S.C. $\S3161(h)(8)(A)$.

Respectfully submitted,

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Respectfully submitted,

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December 6, 2004

DATE: December 6, 2004